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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 14-19 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please amend claim 12 as follows:

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12. (Amended) A method for screening for a compound that inhibits the growth of an organism comprising the *ycf24* gene, the method comprising

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- (i) contacting a test compound with the *ycf 24* gene product, and
- (ii) determining whether the test compound inhibits the activity of or binds to the product, any such binding or inhibition suggesting that the compound may inhibit the growth of the organism.

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